

RE: Watson Call

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*NOTE – Watson wants to mow down the wooden structure protesters built early tomorrow morning.

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Notes from call with Watson

- Watson worried about the safety of downtown Ottawa residents. MMM mentioned the harassment of those wearing masks, and young women when walking downtown.
- Watson very frustrated with the politicking and the CPC MPs shaking hands with the protesters.
- MMM mentioned that he's been questioned about what would happen if these protesters were Indigenous or Black. This would not be the reaction from the police
- Need to set a stricter tone. Police have started to get tougher on protesters, as ticketing has increased, pursuing criminal charges against many.
- Know that other convoys and counter protesters are headed this way over the weekend.
- Have gotten all flammable materials out of the wooden structure built on federal land the propane and jerry cans
- Get the wooden structure mowed down. On fed land.
- Additional assistance is likely on the way per mmm. Need to wait for the commissioner to confirm.
- Watson Appreciates support. Will continue to require help.

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